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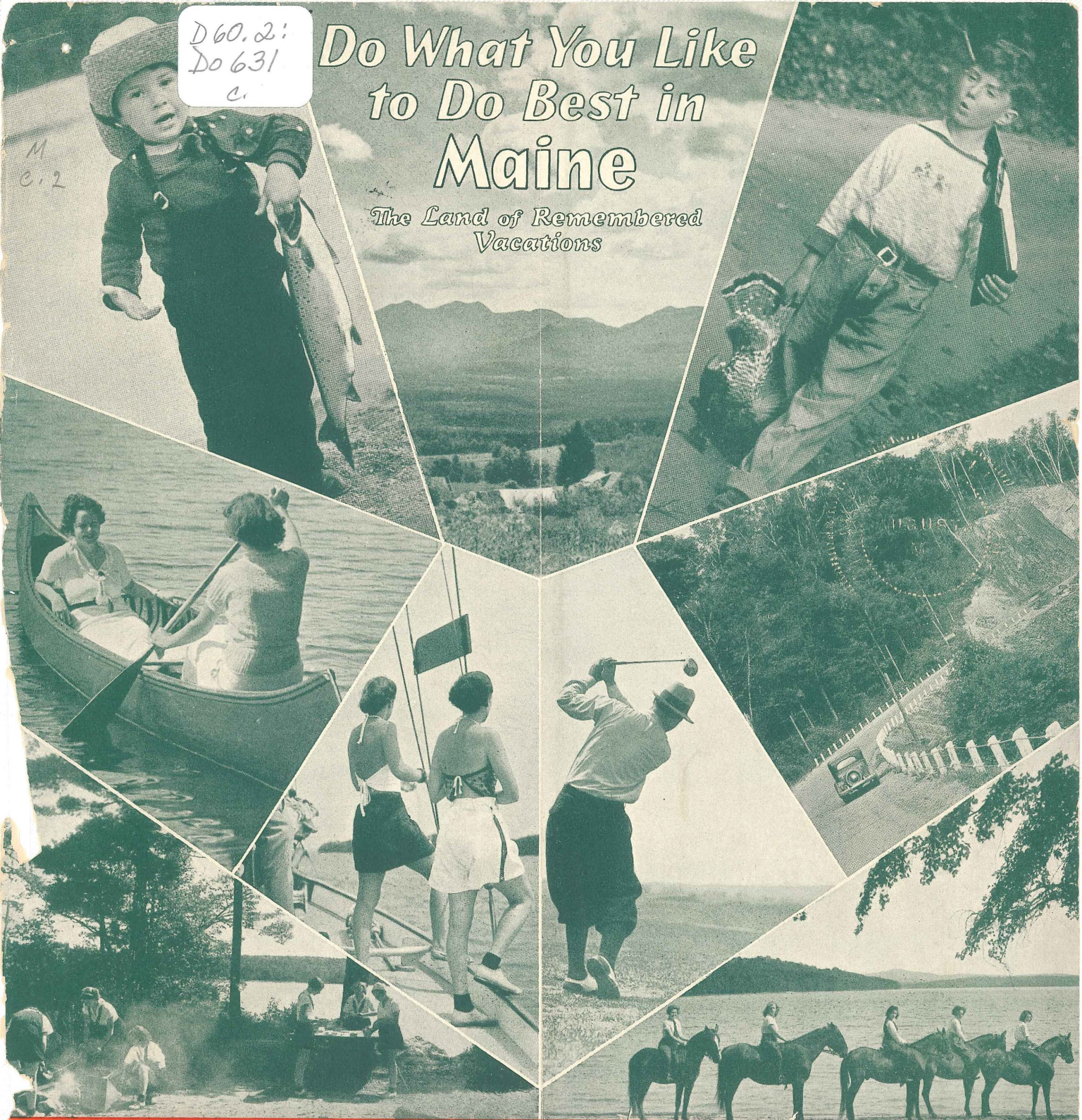
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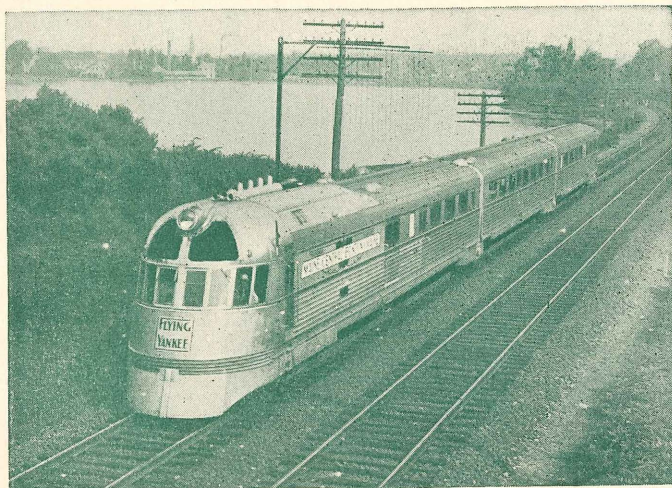
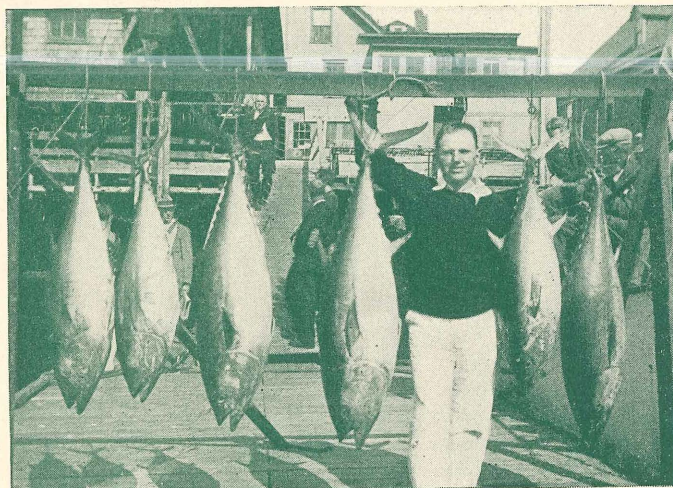
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Vacations*



**Have the Time of Your Life in Maine**

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## FISHING

Maine's famous 2500 lakes and ponds and 5000 rivers and streams present exceptional opportunities and satisfactory fishing for salmon, trout, bass, perch and pickerel. The smaller ponds and streams and even the old mill pond, with coarser fish, hornpout or bullheads, are attractive to the youngster who has not graduated from the bent pin or department store fishing tackle.

Besides natural stocking, Maine is spending hundreds of thousands of dollars annually in her Department of Inland Fisheries and Game.

From numerous hatcheries are planted annually millions of game fish, a good percentage of them five to seven inches in length and of legal or "taking" size.

Generally speaking, the best fishing comes in early Spring just after the ice leaves and continues thru June. In July and August the game fish seek deeper water and do not take the fly. Then in September with colder days and nights, fishing again equals that of early Spring.

July and August offer excellent fishing for bass, pickerel and perch.

There are many special laws governing fresh water fishing, size of fish, creel limit and methods of fishing. Be sure and obtain a copy of the Inland Fishing Laws.

Salt Water fishing is now being recognized as a major attraction along the Maine coast. Deep-sea hand-line fishing for cod, haddock, pollock and cusk is a sport that has not been fully appreciated. No small part of a day's outing is the enjoyment of the fish chowder cooked on board or at a shore camp fire.

Maine tuna fishing is superior to the famous tuna fishing of Southern California and Block Island because the Maine fish run very much larger. "Horse Mackerel" as they are locally known, although they are the true tuna in giant size, weigh from 200 to 1500 pounds, the majority of them running from 400 to 700 pounds. Smaller tuna of the same species—the bluefin, weighing from 30 to 150 pounds—also frequent Maine waters in a summer. There are no special regulations nor is a fishing license required for salt water fishing.

## TRAVEL

Come by rail, steamer, motor or air. Schedules of railroad, steamship and motor bus service are available in every city or will be sent on request. There is daily airplane service from New York and Boston to many Maine cities where special planes may be chartered to any destination.

## LAND PLANE AIRPORTS

Bangor, Houlton, Caribou, Bar Harbor, Augusta, Waterville, Portland, Millinocket, Presque Isle, Rangeley, Biddeford, Kennebunk, Greenville, Auburn, Sanford, Rockland, Calais, Jackman, Brunswick, Farmington, Skowhegan, Pittsfield.

Totaling 23 Airports in Maine.



## HUNTING

There are literally millions of acres of woodland shelter for game animals and game birds.

Deer, bear, moose, wildcat, lynx, fox and rabbit, all are found according to their natural habitat.

For the bird hunter, ruffed grouse or partridge and woodcock have wide distribution and almost every woodlot or alder-run yields good shooting.

For the wild fowl shooter, the coast and inland tidal waters yearly show a great variety of ducks with occasional spots where geese frequent.

Competent guides are available for every kind of hunting and shooting for varying trips of a day, or a week or more, at some established camp or tenting spot.

Hotels and sporting camps are located in many of our finest game fields and their comfort is attested to by the increasing number of ladies accompanying the hunters each Fall.

Wise game laws prevent indiscriminate killing of game and a series of State Game Preserves or Sanctuaries, where shooting is entirely forbidden, supplement the numbers of wild life in the open territory.

Maine's highways so crisscross the State that the greatest percentage of hunters

"Step from car to game fields"

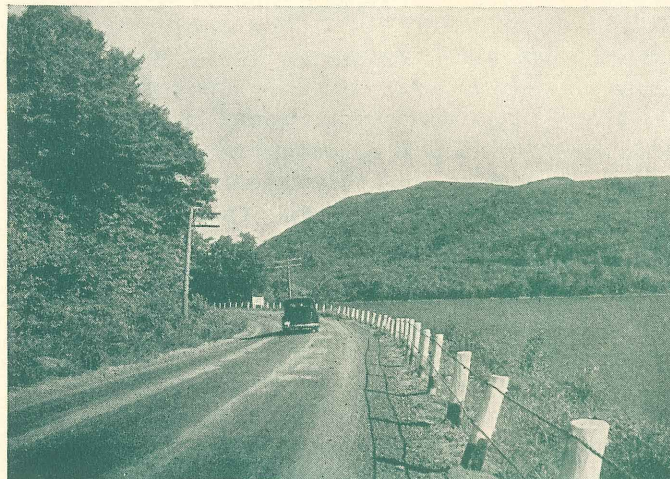
and during the fall months, thousands of cars are decorated with trophies of the returning happy hunters.

## HIGHWAYS

Maine has a system of State highways and State-aid highways totaling nearly 7000 miles. It has a total highway mileage of 25,000 miles wonderfully improved over the last ten year period. Its highway system has few equals in this country for a state of its size, population and valuation. The highest type of concrete and bituminous macadam roads form a system of trunk lines leading through and to all sections of the State. The State Highway Department has a landscape engineer whose duty it is to preserve the natural beauties of these highways. Maine's highway laws are extremely liberal and the people of Maine cooperate in welcoming the stranger.

## CANOEING

Probably no State in the Union offers greater opportunities for the pleasures of canoeing and camping than Maine with its countless lakes, rivers and streams. Its principal canoe trips like the Allagash, the St. John River, the Fish River, Rangeley, Grand Lake and Belgrade chains and the East and West Branches of the Penobscot are discussed wherever canoeists and campers congregate. These wilderness trips require the services of a registered guide in order to kindle fires in the wild land districts. There are many shorter trips where guides are not required and where the public camp sites may be utilized.





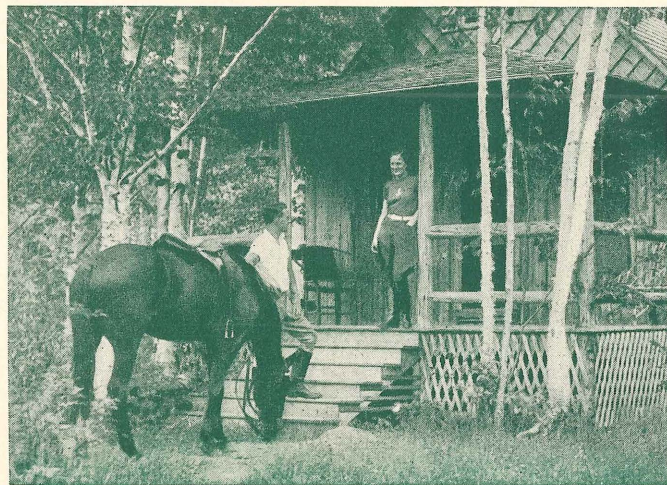


## CAMPING

Maine offers many opportunities for the man and his family who want to bring along their own camping outfit. The Forestry Department has established hundreds of free public camp sites with fireplaces and tested spring water nearby. Many other camp sites are privately operated at which a very modest fee is charged. These camp sites are found along the ocean frontage and near the shores of lakes and streams.

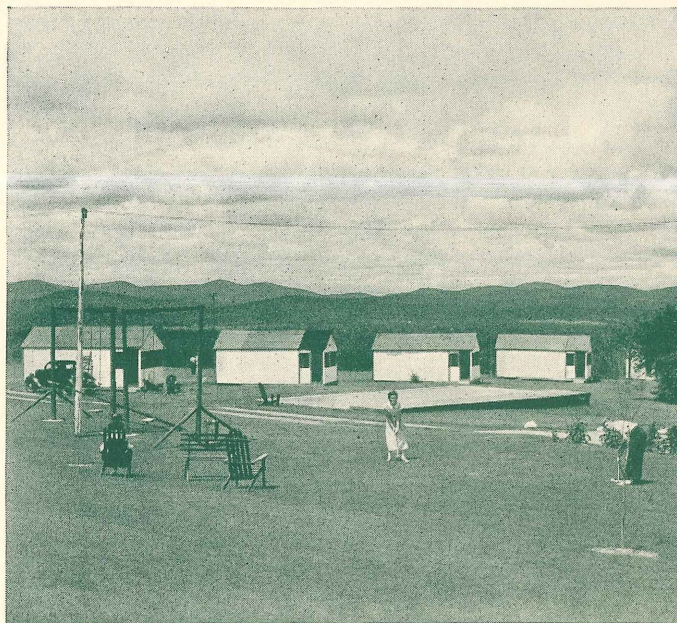
## OVERNIGHT CAMPS

Maine offers throughout the State many so-called "overnight camps" which means a group of detached cabins for overnight or longer stay, many of which offer cooking facilities or meals in dining rooms under the same or nearby management.



## CAMPS

Maine specializes in the log cabin idea at its interior lake regions. You live in detached cabins with all the privacy, comfort and convenience of a summer home, many times including fireplace in the living room and bathrooms connected with sleeping quarters. Meals are served in a central dining room camp and the vacationist is relieved of all house-keeping details. Here the sojourner is as absolutely free as the balsam-laden breath of the wide forest. He lives in perfect freedom and unconcern, wears what clothes he prefers, his oldest hat if he wants, and in general goes where he likes, when and how. He fishes and hikes, goes on delightful one-day excursions with his family or friends, or just loaf and takes life easy.



## FARM BOARD

Years ago the thrifty wife of the Maine farmer started "taking boarders", which has now developed into a regular business and comfortable beds insure restful sleep. This type of accommodation appeals to the family because the children have the opportunity to observe and take part in farming activities, riding on the hayracks, feeding the hens and pigs, watching the milking of cows, roaming in nearby fields and woods, and bathing in the mill pond or "old swimming hole"; a care-free life, building strong bodies and abundant health.

## COTTAGES

Housekeeping camps and cottages along the seashore and at interior lakes may be hired at reasonable rates by the day, week, month or season. Let us know what accommodations you require and what you have in mind to pay and we will find it for you.



## HORSEBACK RIDING

Added to the long list of attractions for the vacationist in Maine is that of horseback riding. Maine's back country roads are ideally suited to this form of recreation. Traveling over these quiet, winding roads bordered by fragrant pines, or snow white birches is an inspiration at any time of the year. They follow along the shore of lakes, pass over quiet streams and brooks and over elevations affording the rider with wonderful glimpses of Maine's scenery.

A well-marked bridle path system is now being constructed which will lead into every county of the State. There will be 1300 miles of these picturesque saddle trails when completed. Many of the boys' and girls' camps and sporting camps feature horseback riding. Riding schools with competent instructors are scattered throughout the State.



## MOUNTAIN CLIMBING

Maine has ten mountains over 4,000 feet high and hundreds over 2,000 feet high. Well marked trails maintained by the Forestry Department lead to most of the mountain tops. The northern end of the Appalachian trail system begins at Mount Katahdin crossing several of Maine's famous mountains such as Bigelow, Sugar-Loaf and Old Speck continuing into New Hampshire through Grafton Notch. There will be around 250 miles of this trail in Maine when completed.

Maine offers mountain climbing of every type. If you are a beginner and not conditioned for a hard climb you will find easy, gentle climbs. If you are a seasoned climber and want something difficult, try that mountain preeminent,—Katahdin, that has no peer east of the Rockies.

If you have never climbed a mountain you have missed one of nature's grandest spectacles. Mountain climbing provides you with a complete change from the daily grind. It promotes relaxation and health, and satisfies ones craving for the beautiful. There is never a suggestion of monotony—Nature has no duplicates.



## BOYS' AND GIRLS' CAMPS

The organized summer camp for boys and girls fills a place in American life fully as great as the school and college. Children brought up in the city ordinarily do not have a normal chance to develop.

At camp amidst natural surroundings and under expert guidance the boy and girl unconsciously develop such fundamental virtues as resourcefulness, tolerance, generosity and leadership.

Camp directors here find it easy to teach these youngsters the art of woodcraft. By actual experience they learn to care for themselves in the woods. Under the leadership of a Maine guide they learn how to handle a canoe. They are also taught about rocks, flowers and wild life.

Maine camp directors take a great deal of pride in the cultural attainments of their camps. Their counsellors are college men and women who have made a special study of different phases of camp life, including music, dancing, dramatics, and handicraft. Some of the country's finest camps are located here. Over 13,000 boys and girls spend their summer in Maine.

All Maine camps have to comply with the very high standards of the State Health Department.







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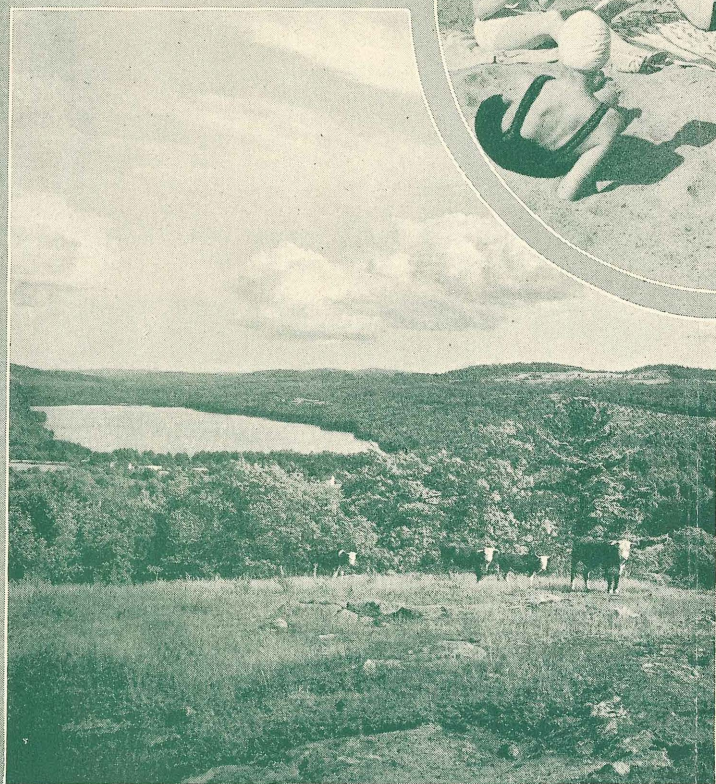
MAINE'S CLIMATE IS UNUSUAL—Warm air, gentle sea breezes. These all combine to so a store of energy and well being for the future RE-CREATION.

Motor, golf, fish, hunt, hike, canoe, ride horse, beaches of gleaming white sand, laze in the sun, swim or sea, whatever your bent—YOU can find YOUR

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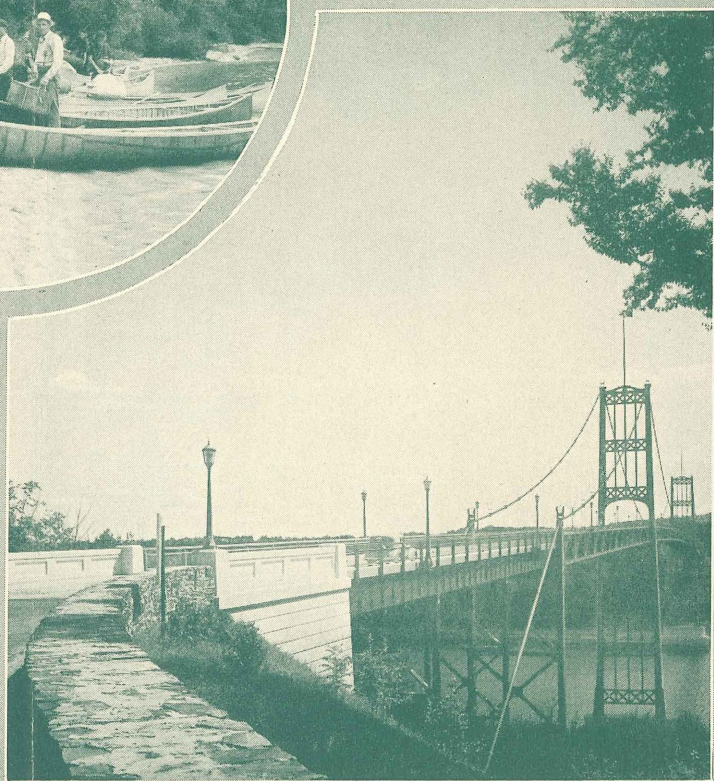
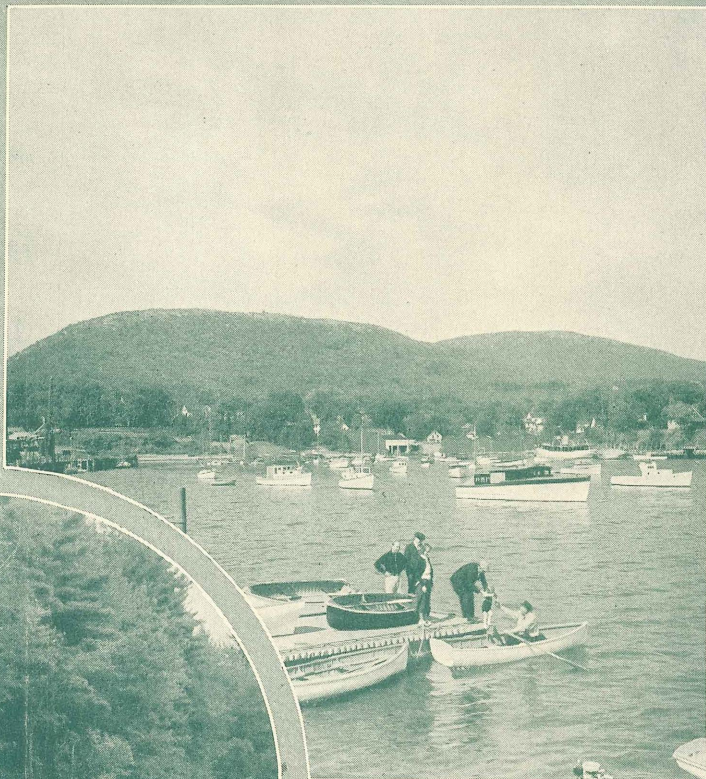
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soothe the jaded nerves, rebuild tired bodies and provide  
pleasure; in truth — MAINE IS THE LAND OF

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the rail over sparkling waters, camp beside lake, stream  
Enjoy every kind of a good time in

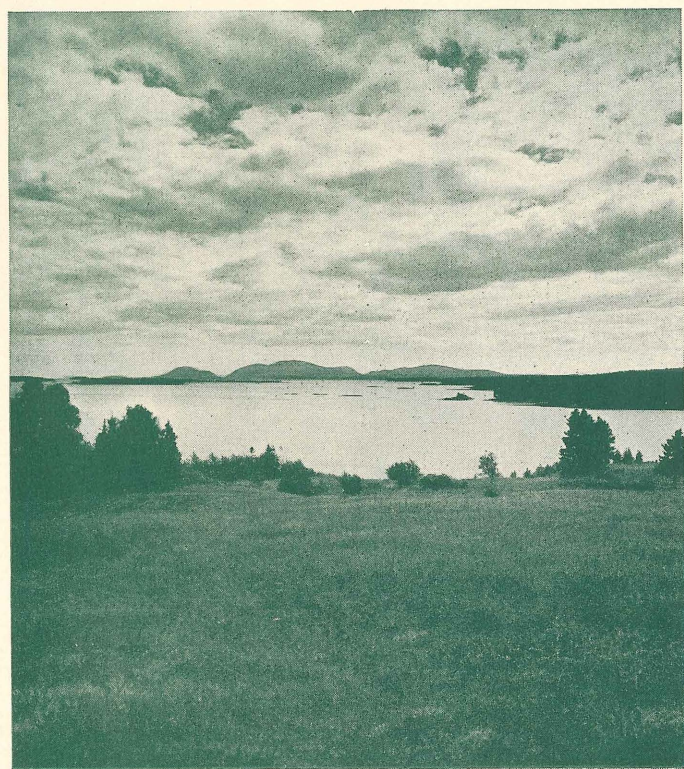
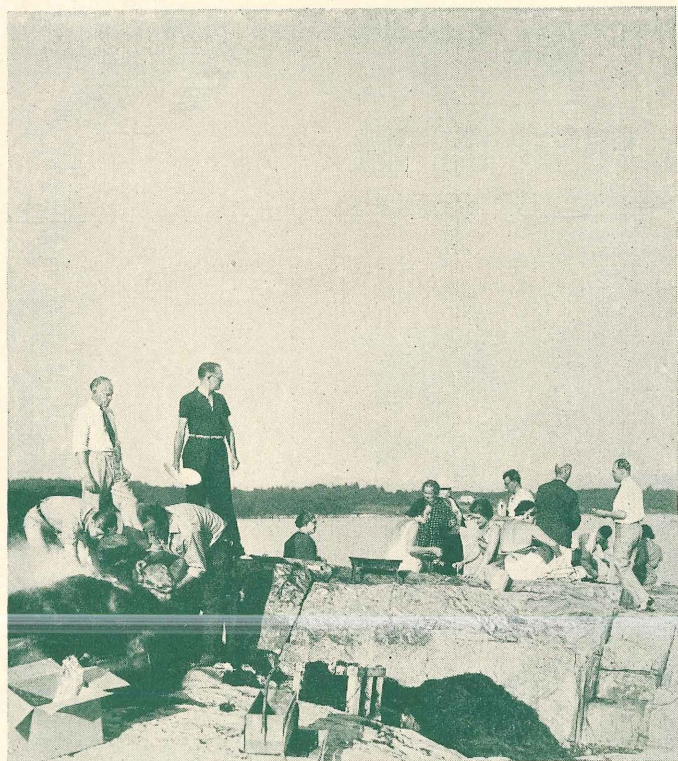
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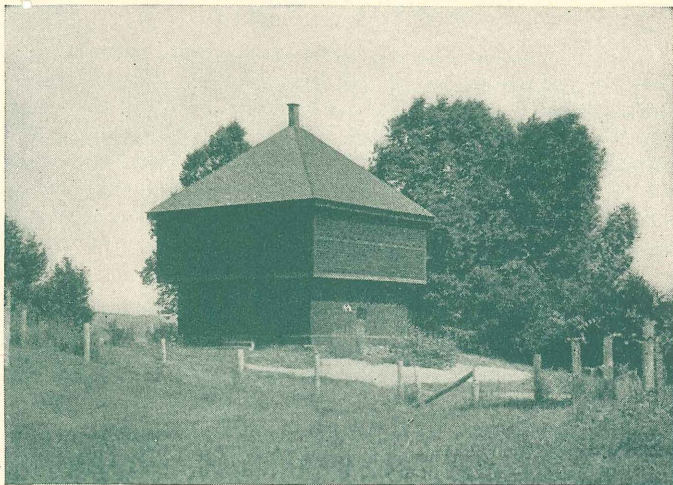


## YACHTING

The tidal line of the Atlantic coast from Quoddy Head in eastern Maine to southern Florida measures 5565 miles. Maine has the unique distinction of having within its own boundary 2486 miles, or almost one-half of the tidal line of the Atlantic coast in the United States. Because of its innumerable bays, harbors and estuaries, it offers exceptional opportunities for yachting, affording safe anchorage with cruising along what is recognized as the most picturesque scenery of the entire Atlantic seaboard, including Mt. Desert Island and Acadia National Park with its Cadillac Mountain, the highest elevation on the Atlantic seaboard north of Rio de Janeiro. Here great mountain heights literally come down to the sea, offering unique scenic beauty of a borderland of heavy growth spruce forests, interspersed with occasional sand dunes and marsh lands. Yacht Clubs are to be found at Bar Harbor, Boothbay Harbor, Camden, Northeast Harbor, Rockland, Portland and at other coastal points where the visiting yachtsman is always welcome and nearby towns offer opportunities for commissary supplies and entertainment features.

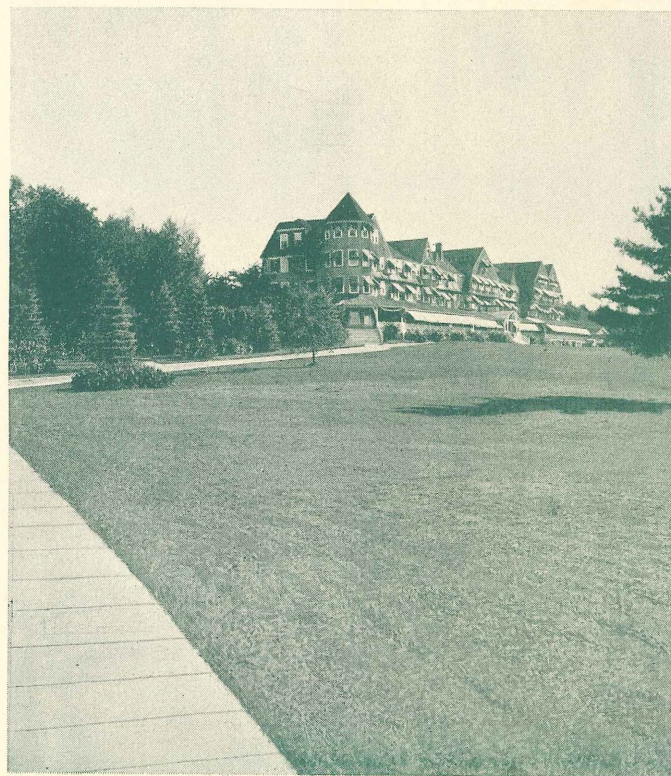
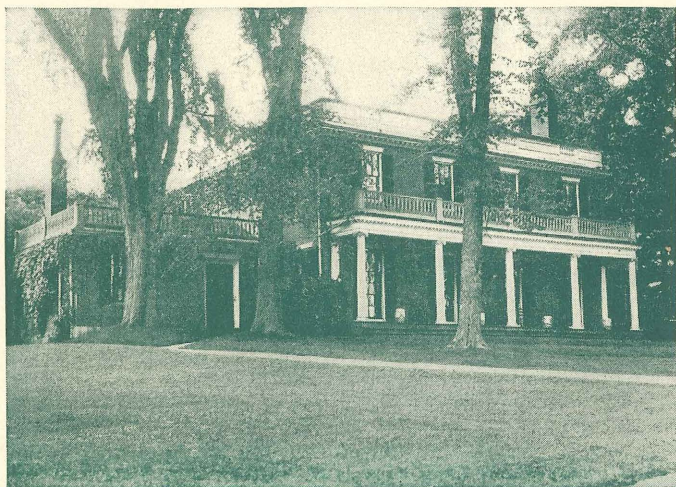
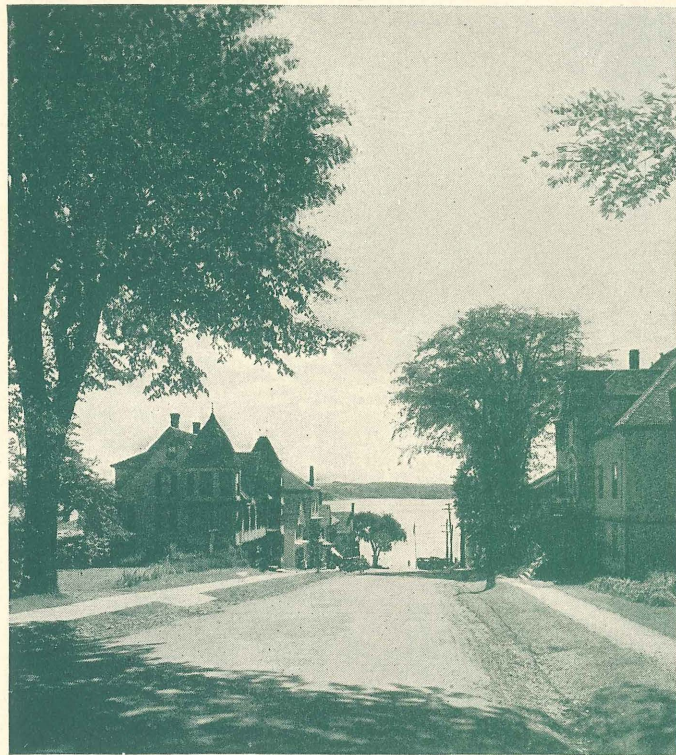






## HISTORIC

Maine took its place in history when fishermen from the Old World visited her shores in 1605. It was the first region of the United States Continent to be discovered, the first to be settled, the first to hold religious worship, the first to build a church, the first to build a blockhouse for defense and the first to build a ship. The first chartered city in America was founded by Sir Ferdinando Gorges in 1641 in the present town of York and called "Gorgeanna." The Pepperell Mansion at Kittery Point was erected in 1682. The first Naval battle of the Revolution was fought off Machias. Off Monhegan Island was fought the historic battle between the "Enterprise" and "Boxer" in the War of 1812. In 1820 Maine was separated from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and became a State. Almost every hamlet, village and town is replete with historic lore.





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## WINTER SPORTS

Maine in winter with her diversified terrain presents unusual opportunities for skiing, snowshoeing, skating, sleigh riding, bobsled coasting and ice boating and even mountain climbing for the adventurous. Several municipalities have established public skating rinks and many towns have laid out satisfactory ski trails. Comfortable accommodations may be had at many year-round hotels, farm houses and a limited number of private homes.

## HIKING

The dirt roads referred to in the paragraph on horseback riding and thousands of miles of old logging roads may be utilized for hiking as well as the Appalachian and other trails referred to in the paragraph on Mountain Climbing.

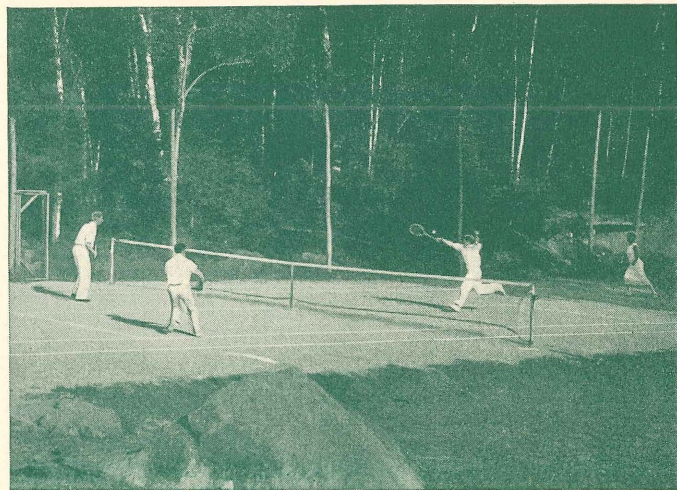
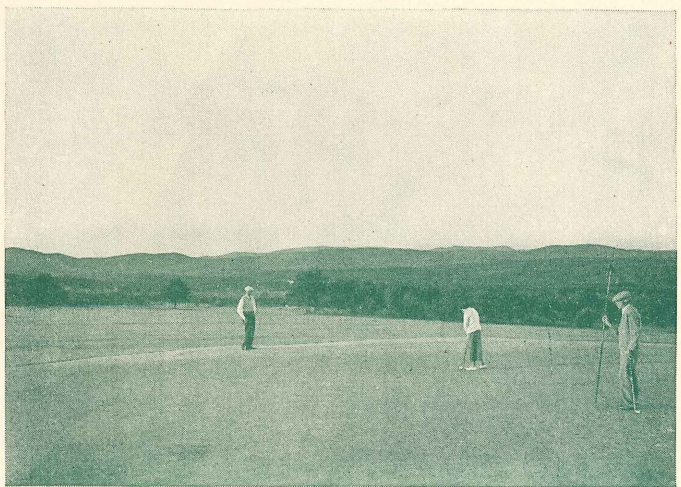
## GOLFING

Maine with its 100 golf courses, nearly all open to visiting players upon payment of the customary greens fee, is an ideal playground for the golfer. The golfing season opens annually with a State tournament on April 19 and continues well into November.

In addition to the several State Golf Championships, weekly open handicap matches are held on a different course each Saturday throughout the season. Besides the Maine State Golf Association, there are the Women's State Golf Association and the Maine Senior Golfers' Association.

## TENNIS

A few municipalities have public tennis courts, but there is ample opportunity for this sport at practically all of the hotels along the coast and in the interior, as well as at many of the camps and farm boarding houses. State Tournaments with appropriate trophies are regularly held on municipal and country club courts.





## BEACHES

The Maine coast, south of Portland, is a series of shelving beaches that become warmed by the sun when the tide is out. As the tidal waters flow back over this sand, the water is heated to a temperature which makes it comfortable for sea and surf bathing. North of Portland, the shore is more abrupt with many short beaches between rocky headlands and along the entire Maine coast there is a noticeable absence of undertow.

## ART COLONIES

Artists of international reputation have found inspiration in the scenic beauties of Maine. Many prize winning canvasses of exhibitions at home and abroad have been painted in the State. Art classes of noted summer art schools are everyday occurrences in many of Maine's vacational towns.

## SUMMER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Summer educational opportunities are numerous and varied in Maine. The University of Maine at Orono and Bates College at Lewiston conduct summer sessions. Normal schools offer summer courses. Many other educational facilities are to be found in the scores of boys' and girls' camps, several of which specialize in tutoring for college requirements.

## RELIEF FROM HAY FEVER

Maine is rapidly becoming known as a mecca for those suffering from hay fever.

Broadly speaking, places in the forested regions offer great relief and in many cases entire immunity is had, particularly in the Rangeley region and in the country around Moosehead Lake. Probably anywhere up in the "Big Woods" region of Maine where grasses and pollen bearing weeds are not found can confidently be recommended.

Along the coast where the growth is principally coniferous, Monhegan Island, Newagen, Mount Desert Island, Petit Manan and Eastport are recommended.



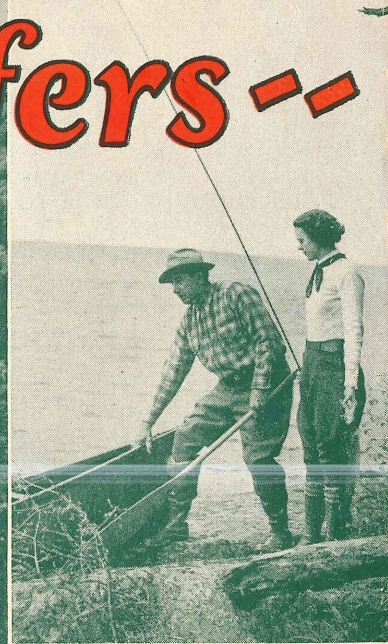
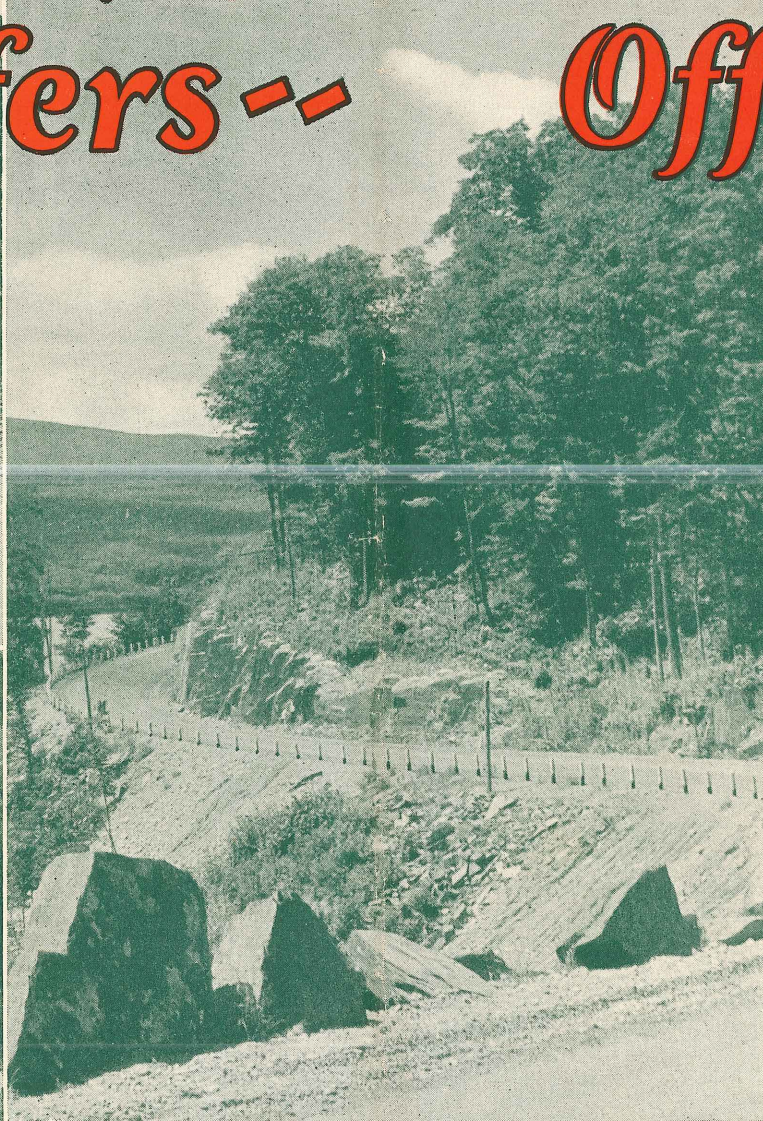
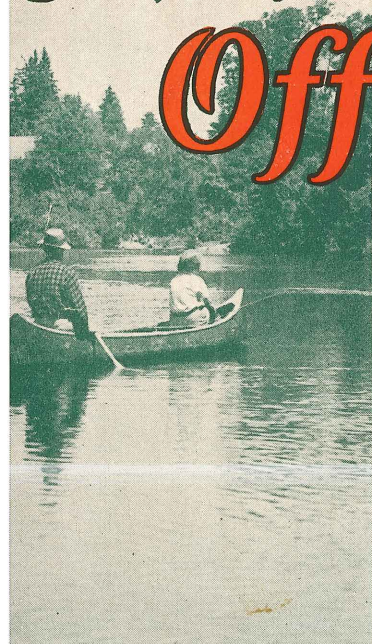


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